



Penn Dixie

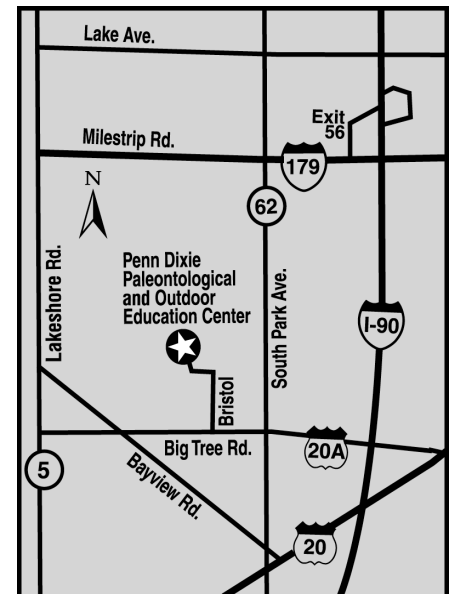
Paleontological and Outdoor Education Center

2012 Special Events and Astronomy Programs at the Penn Dixie Site

The public is welcome at the following 2012 special event programs! Penn Dixie Site is **open to the public** for fossil collecting every **Saturday**, from May through October, 9 AM to 4 PM; **Sundays**, May-October, 11 AM to 4PM; and **Spring Break**-April 6-7 & 9-15, and June 16-Sept. 4, Mon.-Fri., 9 AM-4 PM, rain or shine. Closed Memorial Day, July 4 & Labor Day September 3. Open Columbus Day, October 8, 9 AM-4 PM. Penn Dixie members free; non-member adults \$7 and children 12 and under \$6, and children 2 and under free.

School groups wishing to schedule a field trip to the Penn Dixie Site should email jbpendix@gmail.com or call (716) 627-4560.

All other **groups, families, scouts, birthday parties, & individuals**, wishing to schedule a visit at other times, should call (716) 627- 4560. Please call or visit our web site at www.penndixie.org for programs, upcoming events, membership & directions.



2012 Special Events

May 14 (Saturday) 9 AM – 4 PM Dig with the Experts

Regular program for fossil collecting and viewing of sunspots, plus a Special Program to “Dig with the Experts” – check web site or call (716) 627-4560 for details, cost, and registration information.

June 3 (Sunday) 1 PM to 4 PM Children’s Day

Celebrate Children’s Day at Penn Dixie! Special fun events for children and their families, prizes for contests, viewing sunspots and other astronomy activities, fossil identification, and more!

June 10 (Sunday) 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM Penn Dixie Nature Cruise & Buffalo Lighthouse Tour

Call (716) 627-4560 for registration information and cost or visit www.penndixie.org. Limited space available.

July 1 (Sunday) 11 AM to 4 PM – “Big Toys, Trucks and Bikes Event”

Fossil collecting, viewing of sunspots, and a “Big Toys, Trucks & Bikes Event” fundraiser! Sit in your favorite truck, explore a variety of vehicles, and have your picture taken in your favorite vehicle – check web site for details.

August 11 (Saturday) 5 PM to ?, Mid-Summer’s Night Adventure - Annual Fossil-Astronomy program.

Collect fossils and after dark collect fossils by lantern light; bring your digging tools, plastic bucket, a lantern or flashlight. View Sunspots until dusk. After dark telescopes will focus on Saturn and Mars close to each other low in the southwest. The star cluster M13 will be near the zenith and the M57 Ring Nebula and M27 Dumbbell Nebula will be in the southeast. Hope to view some meteors from the Perseids Meteor Shower, that will peak after midnight until dawn.

September 8 (Saturday) 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM Penn Dixie Nature Cruise & Buffalo Lighthouse Tour

Call (716) 627-4560 for registration information and cost or visit www.penndixie.org. Limited space available.

September 9 (Sunday) 1 PM to 4 PM, Special Event

Experts will identify your fossils, rocks, and minerals. Fossil collecting, viewing sunspots, and other activities TBA.

October 13 (Saturday) 9 AM to 3 PM, 14th Annual WNY Earth Science Day

National Earth Science Day WNY celebration at Penn Dixie, co-sponsored with the Buffalo Association of Professional Geologists. Talk to earth scientists as they exhibit and demonstrate various aspects of their professions; see a drill rig demonstrating rock coring and drilling operations; view sunspots; collect fossils; and participate in a wide variety of other activities. Girl and boy scouts can earn badge requirements, call 627-4560 for information.

November 1 (Thursday) 7 to 9 PM, 17th Annual HNHS/Penn Dixie Fundraiser.

Romanello's South Restaurant, 5793 South Park Avenue, Hamburg, NY. Silent and voice auctions, raffles, hors d'oeuvres, and more. Donations of baskets, gift certificates, artwork, toys, holiday baskets, tickets for football, hockey or basket ball games are welcome. Fun filled evening for all. Public is invited.